THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

The 20th National Convention a Grandly Earnest, Practical Business Meeting.

The 20th National Convention of the Georgia Wade McClellan, Iowa; Abbie A. Woman's Relief Corps is now a part of history. It was one of the smallest Conhistory. It was one of the smallest Con-ventions in point of numbers that has con-Wadsworth, Massachusetts; Carrie T. vened in many years, excepting that of Alexander, Illinois. Also committee on Cleveland, one year ago. In numbers the

Calista Robinson Jones, in the chair.

were draped with flags, and the organ loft. above the head of the National President. was draped with flags, and from handsome jardinieres hung trailing vines and seception of Visitors to National Consequences and apparagus plumosa, almost to the edge of setts: Amanda T. Newcomb, Vermont; the flags, while the air was fragrant with the perfume of the roses banked about the Vermont; Charity Rusk Craig, North some lardineres using training vines and responding the state of the flags, while the air was fragrant with the perfume of the roses banked about the vases. The work had been done under the personal supervision of Mrs. Ada G. Weinstein and T. Newcomb. Vermont; Charity Rusk Craig, North Carolina: Belle C. Harris, Kansas; Minpersonal supervision of Mrs. Ada G. Weinstein and Carolina: Belle C. Harris, Kansas; Minpersonal supervision of Mrs. Ada G. Weinstein and Carolina: Ladies' Ada G Nases. The work had been done under the personal supervision of Mrs. Ada G. nie M. Kyle, Illinois. Weiss, President of the Legion of Loyal Committee on Greetings to Ladies' Aid Women, who was also Chairman of the Decoration Committee for all the Convenience to Visit Ladies of the G. A. Decoration Committee for all the Convenience on Greetings to Ladies' Aid Society—Belle M. Satterley, Chairman. Committee to Visit Ladies of the G. A. horse in the parade Wednesday and severely injured. artistically decorated, nor lave the floral offerings been more beautiful or effective than those provided by the Chairman The National Provident than those provided by the Chairman of the Committee, Mrs. Mary V. Goundie, and her Vice Chairman, Mrs. Helen En-gle, who labored indefatigably to have all the floral appointments fresh and abun-

One of the pathetic touches of the morn ing was the singing of "We Shall Meet, but We Shall Miss Him," the sad, old war song in memory of Gen. Paul Van Der Voort, Past Commander-in-Chief, who died July 29.

Gen. Van Der Voort was practically the founder of the Woman's Relief Corps, it being organized while he was Commander-in-Chief. He had been its most ardent sponser, and had stood for the "Loyal Women" clause, which sent a large body of women who did not believe in it, off into other patriotic organizations. For his loyalty to the Woman's Relief Corps he was made an honorary member, being the

There were gathered about the National President as all united in singing the song that the dead friend of the Relief Corps loved the National officers of the Order: Belle C. Harris, Senior Vice President; Minnie M. Kyle, Junior Vice President; Sarah E. Philips, Treasurer; Emily L. Clark, Chaplain; Fanny E. Minot, Inspector; Emma Stark Hampton, Counselor; Rachel Abbott Hall, I. and I. Officer; Kate E. Jones, Patriotic Instructor, also, Mrs. R. G. Brown, of New York, Secretary pro tempore; Mrs. Sarah C. Plummer, of Michigan, Assistant Secretary; Mrs. Laura L. Burr, of Indiana; Past National President Sarah E. Fuller, Liza-beth Turner, Emma R. Wallace, Emma Stark Hampton, Kate B. Sherwood, and Elizabeth D'Arcy Kinne, who were later presented to the Convention with honors,

and received with long applause. CONVENTION COMMITTEES.

The committee appointments that were made are as follows:

Assistant Secretary, Mrs. Sarah A. C.
Plummer; Planist, Mrs. Amelia C. Alexinder; Stenographer, Miss Margaret
Chestnut; Chief Conductor, Mary P. Scott,
charters are to be granted. Chestnut; Chief Conductor, Mary P. Scott, Ohio; Assistant Conductors, Clara A. Alford, Maryland; Florence M. Westcott, New York; Abbie T. Usher, Massachusetts; Mary A. Eldridge, Washington; Lemma Evans, Washington; Inez Lyon, Vashington; Chief Guard, Jennie S. Said inmates in their own Departments. Washington; Chief Guard, Jennie S. Wright, Ohio; Assistant Guards, Mrs. Ellen E. Hall, Maine; Annie B. Frost,

Headquarters Reception Committee— Laura S. Burr, Indiana; Ada E. May, Minnesota; Hannah M. Gahagan, Ohio; Georgia B. Worker, Iowa; A. Louise Putnam, Vernont; Ida V. Hendricks, Washington, D. C.: Abbie A. Adams, Nebraska; Dorcas H. Lyman, Massachusetts; Sophia R. Spaulding, Illinois; Ida L. Jarvis, California; H. Lizzie Foster, New Hampshire; Annie E. Udell, Michigan.

Credential Committee—Mary Ellen Conant, Vermont; Harriet L. Reed, Massachusetts; Belle M. Slatterley, Missouri; Sarah M. Bradford, Illinois; Rusha F. Day, Nebraska.

Color-bearers—Alice Tirrell, New York; Katie A. Guiton, Tennessee; Jean Wright, Ohio; Maud Lewis, New York.

Press Committee—Mary M. North, Chairman, Maryland; Fannie McAllister, Wisconsin; Lydia E. White, Vermont; Hannah M. Gabagan, Ohio:

Wisconsin; Lydia E. White, Vermont; Julia S. Conklin, Indiana; Julia M. Lay-

Julia S. Conklin, Indiana; Julia M. Layton, Washington; Helen L. Parker, New York; Hollen E. Day, Missouri.
Information Committee—Lida G. Hart, Mary E. Hall, Mamie P. Dorsey, Mary G. Carler, Mamie G. Davis, and Mary Thatcher, all of Washington, D. C. National President's Address—Mary L. Carr, Colorado; Charity Rusk Craig, North Carolina; Cora Day Young, Okio; Maria W. Going, Massachusetts; Anna M. Torrance, Minnesota.

rance, Minnesota.
National Senior Vice President's Re-National Senior Vice President's Re-port—Millie J. Chapman, M. D., Pennsyl-vania; Matilda S. Vickery, New Jersey; Etta E. Houk, Indiana; Mary Tygard, Texas: Amelia F. Colgan, Virginia: National Junior Vice President's Re-port—Mary N. Farr, South Dakota; Jen-nie Bartlett, West Virginia; Kate L. Per-lins New Jampshirs, Lide A. Older,

kins, New Hampshire; Lida A. Oldroyd, Washington, D. C.; Annie T. Breueman, National Secretary's Report-Fannie D. Hardin, Colorado; Geraldine E. Fris-California: June Allen, Iowa; Jennie Shepard, New York; Mary E. Elliot,

mont; Louise L. Barton, 1daho; Aunt Becky Young, Iowa.

National Inspector's Report—Melissa Caylor, Indiana; Charlotte E. Wright, Connecticut; Abbie Lynch, Pennsylvania; Lydia C. Hopkins, Michigan; Jennie I.

National Counselor's Report-Henrietta Steismeier, Missouri; Gertie Rogers, Wis-consin; Lodusky J. Taylor, Minnesota; Maria E. Dean, Tennessee; Sarah D. Wi-

National I. and I. Officer's Report-Julia G. Sine, Illinois; Emily H. Jones, Colorado; Emma D. Chase, Connecticut; Mira L. Parker, Iowa; Emma E. Forter,

Kansas. National Patriotic Instructor's Report-Kate B. Sherwood, Ohio; Jennie L. Day, Maine; Abbie T. Usher, Massachusetts; Eliza J. Crisler, Indiana; Cora M. Evans,

National W. R. C. Home Reports-Elizabeth D'Arcy Kinne, California; Net-tie Norton, Minnesota; Hannah U. Maxon, Ohio; Alice M. Leeds, Colorado; Mary E.

Gilman, Massachusetts.

Andersonville Board Report—Anna E.
Howe, Ohio; Charlotte S. Cumings, Pennsylvania; Olive F. Puffer, Vermont; Mary
A. Baldwin, Maryland; Myrtle W. Bixby,

Delegate to National Council of Women - Report-Emma R. Wallace, Illinois; Hattie Ford, Rhode Island; Jane Ellis Moore, Kentucky; Ellen M. Putnam, New

National Senior Aid's Report-Christine Sander Romans, Iowa; Kate L. Giedhill, New York; Orpha D. Bruce, Florida; El-len F. Daniels, West Virginia; Mattie E. Ames, Washington and Alaska.

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National Press Correspondent's Report
—Jennie Bross, Illinois; Allaseba M. Bliss,
Michigan; Ellen Applebaugh, Ohio; Julia
A. Lawton, Oregon; Eunice M. Munger, Resolutions-Louise Barnum Robbins, Michigan; Ella Jordan Mason, Majue; with honors.

Cleveland, one year ago. In numbers the delegation of voting members was about the same, 385.

The Convention opened in the Church of Our Father at 10 o'clock, Thursday morning, Oct. 9, the National President, Mrs. Calista Robinson Jones in the clair.

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The church had been very handsomely decorated for the occasion. The galieries Greetings to Sons of Veterans—Kate E. Jones, New York; Florence O. Mc-Clellan, Illinois. Greetings to Daughters of Veterans-

Margaret Ray Wickens, Illinois; Alice G. Peters, Ohio; Ada G. Mohr, New York. Reception of Visitors to National Convention—Elizabeth A. Turner, Massachu-

ient of two very pretty gavels, one from the National Press Correspondent, Mrs. Mary M. North, made of woods from Mt. Vernon, and decorated with a picture of the mansion. In one end of the head of

Senior Vice National President Mrs. Belle C. Harris presided with excellent judgment during the reading of the Na-tional President's address, and later while it was under consideration upon the re-port of the committee.

ACTION ON PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDA-

TIONS. Many of the recommendations of th National President were not approved by the committee, of which Mrs. Mary L. Carr was Chairman, and in nearly all instances the opinion of the committee was the judgment of the Convention. The

vision for the permanent maintenance of said inmates in their own Departments."

About 5 o'clock the committee from the Woman's Relief Corps went to the National Encampment of the G. A. R. to extend greetings. The committee was com-

pretty acrimonious.

Mrs. Charity Rusk Craig offered a resolution which will have an excellent effect lution which will have an excellent effect in future Conventions. It provides for the abolition of the votes of the Independ-ent Corps in the National Convention. Un-der the law as it has always existed, Inde-pendent Corps reported directly to the Na-tional and the President has the right to vote in the National body. This gives a woman who is President of an Indepen-dent Corps of perhaps 10 respect the woman who is President of an Independent Corps of perhaps 10 members the same right as the representative of 700 women. It is regarded as an injustice that has long needed righting. These Corps Presidents will be given a seat in a National Convention and a voice, but, like Territorial Delegates, will be deviced of a voice.

prived of a vote. Just as the National President resumed the gavel, Miss Clara Barton, Mrs. John A. Logan, and Mrs. Distin, wife of the Surveyor-General and Acting Governor of Alaska, were announced. Mrs. Lizbeth Turner and Mrs. Elizabeth D'Arcy Kinne, Past National Presidents, escorted the distinguished ladies to the platform, the color bearers supporting right and left. Mrs. Logan was introduced to the Conven-

tion and received an ovation, to which she Massachusetts.

National Trensurer's Report—Harriet J.
Bodge, Connecticut; Estella E. Plopper,
Iowa; Sarah M. Snow, Illinois; Addie L.
Cushman, New Hampshire; Jennie S.
Turner, Ohio.

National Chaplain's Report—Aimee J.
Kenney, Nebraska; Fannie A. Valker,
North Dakota; Hattie L. Fainer, Vermont; Louise L. Barton, daho; Aurilean, School, Provided the money, nearly Louise L. Barton, daho; Aurilean, School, Provided the money, nearly St.000, necessary to provide the responded in a few fitting words. nearly \$1,000, necessary to provide the lunch for the 500 delegates to the National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, and then had it served in the best style of the caterer's art, in the parlors of

the church. The parlors were handsomely decorated with flags, and the mantels banked with brilliant-hued Autumn flowers. The mear included all the dainties of the season and the ladies of the committee received the highest praise from the delegates, who had, all of them, cards of admission to the lumber. admission to the luncheon.

There has always been more or less

GREETINGS FROM OTHER ORDERS. Gov. Mauser said they had the honor o bring the love and greetings of the 36th to bring the love and greetings of the 36th National Encampment, and to say that they were grateful for the great work done by their sisters—the Woman's Relief Corps. He recalled war-time reminiscences of the work of women on the field, in the hospital, and in the home.

Col. Blakeman, Commander of the Department of New York, also paid a tribute to the work of the W. R. C., and said he was a "promoter" for the Order in his State. Col. Blakeman has been very helpful with the patriotic work of the Order, also, Miss Barton, whose health would not permit her to appear and speak, seat the

permit her to appear and speak, sent the following letter:

Ladies: I have this message to you. I

regret that I cannot give it to you with my own voice.

The first knowledge I had of the death

of our beloved comrade, Geu. Paul Van Der Voort, was the following letter: "Miss Barton: I am the son of Paul Van Der Voort. He is dead in Cuba. When he was taking ship for his last voyage he turned back to me and said: 'If I do not live to return, tell Clara Barton to see to

Ladies, what can I do but to pass this message to you. Shall we see to it that this request as from the dead be held as

ly injured.

The following resolution was passed, the entire Convention rising in approval:
Resolved, That the Woman's Relief
Corps Auxiliary to the G. A. R., representing 55 State Departments and 13 other States and Territories, and numbering 150,000 women banded in fraternal chari-ty, send greetings to Theodore Roosevelt,

the mansion. In one end of the head of the mansion. In one end of the head of the gavel there are nails which were taken from a mayal vessel that saw service in the civil war. A nayal button, of the time of the Spanish war, adorns the other end. Mrs. Jones thanked the donors and said she would use both gavels.

The one presented by Mrs. Hattie Ford, of Rhode Island, was made of wood from the old Gaspel House in Providence, R. I.

Miss Louise Palmer, Department President of Vermont, presented Mrs. Jones a basket of spiendid white and red roses to behalf of the Department of Vermont, Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief Corps.

When the presentations had all been made, the National President read her annual address, excerpts from which have already been presented to the readers of The National Tribune, as well as from the reports of the other officers. While the National President was reading her address, the four color bearers, who were very prettily arrayed in snowy white, wearing flags, grouped themselves at the front of the altar, where they made a charming picture.

Senior Vice National President Mrs. Senior Vice National President Mrs. Belle C. Harris presided with excellent judgment during the reading of the National President was greeted with the Chautauqua sality.

Greetings were received, That we recognize in him the Cand Hors of the Criss of 1902, and bid im Godspeed in his efforts to bring order out of chaos and peace out of discord.

A. R. came to present the greetings of Mrs. Emmu Wall, National President.

They were: Mrs. Ella E. West, New York, and the old Gaspel House in Providence, R. I.

Miss Louise Palmer, Department President of the Department of New York, and the old Gaspel House in Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Carrie I. Porter, Indiana; Mrs. H. I. I. Mary Clutter; Ruth F. Dugan, Chicago; Catharine Roach, and a graceful little fraternal speech that was received with hearty applause, and the reports of the other officers. While the interpolation of the same hanner and work shoulder for th

Greetings were received from Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, Chairman of the Wo-man's Citizens' Committee, who came to offer the hospitality of the city to the Woman's Relief Corps. She bade the ladies welcome, and assured them that her committee had done everything possible to give them pleasure and add to their comfort during their stay in the city. She comfort during their stay in the city. She was escorted to and from the room by Mrs. Kate B. Sherwood and the color

Mrs. Kate R. Sherwood and the color-bearers, and was accompanied by a num-ber of her committee.

Mrs. Margaret Ray Wickins, Chairman of the Committee on Greetings to the Ladies of the G. A. R., reported that she and her committee had been most pa-triotically received, and that their call had hear a pleasant eve been a pleasant one.

GREETINGS TO THE G. A. R.

though it was objected that this was simply reaffirming the action of the 19th Napply reaffirming the 19th Napply reaffirming the 19th Napply reaffirming the 19th Napply reaffirming the 19th Napply observe the birthday of William McKiniey was approved.

The National President was overruled in her desire to have no more organizers at National expense, and Louisiana and Mississippi are to be remanded to a Provisional Department.

There was a long discussion over the question of abolishing the right to establish Independent Corps where no Department exists. The National President made a direct issue of this during her administration. She stated that much trouble had been caused by the law permitting the organization of such Corps. She then made the recommendation that mitting the organization of such Corps.

She then made the recommendation that the law be changed. The discussion got pretty acrimonious.

Mrs. Charity Rusk Craig offered a reso.

Mrs. Charity Rusk Craig offered a reso. manders, was received with an ovation only second to that given Miss Barton and the Past National Presidents. Mrs. Logan's greeting was splendidly presented, it is said, and the ladies were roundly cheered as they left the platform.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS. The evening Convention was brief and businesslike. The roll call of Convention developed 383 voting members of the Con-

nations for President. Mrs. Winans, Mrs. Sparklin and Mrs. Taylor were nominated. Mrs. Taylor's nomination of Mrs. Ada G. May was one of the finest things heard in the National Convention. Mrs. Sparklin

withdrew her name.

The tellers announced that Mrs. Lodusky J. Taylor, of Minnesota, had been elected National President. Mrs. Geraldine Frisby, of California, was elected National President.

tional Senior Vice President by unanimous vote.

Mrs. Taylor, the new President, was Mrs. Taylor, the new President, was born in Le Sueur, Minn., being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patton, who were of New England Puritan stock, and were early pioneers of the North Star State. She has a long record of able service in the Woman's Relief Corps, and ever since the organization in the West Mrs. Taylor has been presumently identified. has been prominently identified with it. She was a member of the second Corps formed in Minnesota, founded the Corps in her own city and was for five successive years its President. Was twice elected to fill the office of Department President, three times chosen as Counselor and served upon the National Executive Board, the Soldiers' Home Board and in various re-ligous and philanthropic societies, always

ingous and philanthropic societies, always with honor to the cause and credit to herself. Her work, whether in her own Corps, the Department or upon the National Staff being marked by the same painstaking devotion, earnest effort and conscientious discharge of duty.

Mrs. Ada G. May, who made the nomination, said that Mrs. Taylor as a presiding officer is unexcelled, her wide knowledge of parliamentary law being fully com-

of the strong, faithful women of the or-ganization, made the response to the re-marks of the veterans. She said the same order that called the Grand Army of the war of the rebellion into being also called the made of the response to the the women to that army's assistance, and they had enlisted for life service. "You needed us then; you have greater need of

us now," she added.
When the speeches were over the two veterans were escorted to the door amid the waving of flags and the strains of "Marching Through Georgia."

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The business of the evening after this was routine. The various resolutions presented being of a nature personal to the work of the Woman's Relief Corps. One, offered by Mrs. Emma R. Wallace, looking to the admission as associate members, the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, will probably become a law a little later. It must come in the nature of things, and the sooner the better. There

The party was received with nonors and escorted to the platform, where Mr. Wariner gave his words of welcome in well-rounded sentences, bringing applause. He said that all the fine things the ladies were enjoying had been provided by the committees of women, of which Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey was Chairman. He said he thought that the ladies were to be congratulated on having a woman of such fine executive ability at their head.

One of the splendid things done by the Woman's Relief Corps was the adoption of the Woman's Relief Corps was the adoption at the Bancroft was one of the continuous ovation.

And their Convention was near in the Warner also sam, in part.

Washington Club, where a delicious lunch was served each day. Carriages were at their disposal, and the Committee on Army Nurses, of which Mrs. Charlotte first day of the Great Review. On the sible for their comfort and pleasure while they were in the city.

Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey had a tent aggressive and brilliant.

"The fields of Belmont, Donelson, Shilob, Vicksburg, Chickamauga, Mission Ridge, Atlanta and Savannah had thinned own reception at the Bancroft was one continuous ovation.

to the effect that the Woman's Relief-Corps appropriate from its funds the sum of \$500 for the B. F. Stephenson monu-ment fund. She said that he was the founder of both organizations, for with-out the Grand Army of the Republic the Woman's Relief Corps would not be in existence. By a rising year the support existence. By a rising vote the sum wa existence. By a rising vote the sum was unanimously appropriated, and when Mrs. Turner carried into the National Engannment of the Grand Army of the Republic what its loyal supporters had done, there was expression of hearty appreciation.

At the morning session of Friday, which opened with the singing of "America," and prayer by the National Chaplain, the election, of officers was the first business of the morning, and Memorial services for the distinguished dead of the year was next in order.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS COMPLETED. Mcs. Carrie Alexander, of Illinois, nom-inated for Junior Vice President Mrs. Mary M. North, of Maryland, and she was autanimously elected. Mrs Lizabeth Was, manipously elected. Mrs. Lizabeth
A. Turner nominated for Treasurer Mrs.
Sarah, E. Phillips, of Syracuse, N. Y.
She was unanimously elected to serve for the third time. Mrs. Jennie L. Day, of Gorham, Me., was unanimously elected Chaplain.

Fair No.

to form. She is interested in all, her husband being a veteran of the old war, and her only son, a manly, handsome youth, having given his life in an attempt to save the tornado sufferers in the flood in Porto Rico two years ago. He was just completing his service in the Cuban war at the time. Mrs. North has been a National Press Correspondent of the Woman's Relief Corps three terms and is just closing a fourth term. It is said to be the opinion of those who know her best that the National organization is to be congratulated on her election.

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Mrs. Sarah C. Phillips, who was re Mrs. Sarah C. Phillips, who was reelected for the third term, is one of the
original workers in the Woman's Relief
Corps, and has a continent-wide reputation as an energetic organizer.

Other officers chosen were: Executive
Board—Mrs. Mary L. Gilman, Chairman,
Massachusetts; Mrs. Allaseba Bliss, Michigan; Mrs. Georgia B. Worker, Iowa; Mrs.
Harriette L. Welton, Oregon, National igan; Mrs. Georgia B. Worker, Iowa; Mrs. Harriette L. Welton, Oregon. National W. R. C. Home Board—Mrs. Agnes Hitt. Chairman, Indiana. Member Andersonville Prison Board—Mrs. Sarah D. Winans, Ohio. National Secretary—Mrs. Ada E. May, Minnesota. Counselor—Mrs. Mary L. Carr, Colorado. Patriotic Instructor—Mrs. Lue Stewart Wadsworth, Massachusetts. I. and I. Officer—Mrs. Emma E. Forter, Kansas.

RESOLUTIONS. Mrs. Kate Brownlee Sherwood, the ranking National President now living, offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted: "Resolved, That we tender to the Citi-

zens' Committee of Washington, B. H. Warner, Chairman, and to the Woman's Citizens' Committee, Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, Chairman, our warmest thanks for the magnificent hospitality extended on behalf of the National Capital for the many beautiful courtesies, social and otherwise, provided, making our 20th National Convention the most delightfully memorable in the history of our Order.

"Resolved, That we thank the W. R. C. Committee, Mrs. Lida A. Oldroyd, Chairman for its complete and rell-section." man, for its complete and well-ordered ar rangements, for the special comfort, pleas ure, and business dispatch of the 20th Convention, and for the harmony that has characterized its labors. "Resolved, That we thank Commander-

"Resolved, That we than Adjutant-Gen-in-Chief Eil Torrance and Adjutant-Gen-eral, Towler for their magnificent recogni-tics W. R. C. before the 36th tion given the W. R. C. before the 36th National Encampment, G. A. R., and that extracts from the address of the Commander in Chief and the report of the Ad-jutant General be made a part of the pro-ceedings of the 20th National Conven-

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

mitter received the highest praise from the delegates, who had, and or the new, cards of Mrs. Add at A. May, who made the nomic delegates who had, and or the new, cards of the new part of th

ventions presented Mrs. Jones, the retiring National President, with a dainty silver living gup, Mrs. Scott, of Ohio, who has been Chief Conductor for years in National Gonventions, making the presentation speech in a most charming and deftly complimentary manner. Mrs. Jones accepted the present with a few words of thanks. Sterwood's eloquent remarks, the four Past National Presidents with a few words of thanks. Sterwood's eloquent remarks, the four Past National Presidents stood in line with her, and the audience also rose. It was a splendid tribute to a strong, true man.

WELCOME TO WASHINGTON

they were intelligent as you were honest as you were honest, and they are carrying forward as you carried forward the great cause of justice and humanity, while they fight and march and suffer and endure beneath the starry flag ment by a Great Meeting at Convention Hall, Tuesday, Oct. 7.

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Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah C. Phillips, New

Republic, will probably become a law a little later. It must come in the nature of things, and the sconer the better. There is nothing in the Woman's Relief Corps that would prohibit the presence of the commades. On the contrary, they will assist and encourage each other.

Mr. B. H. Warner, Chairman of the Civil War in Convention.

The members of the National Association of Army Nurses of Woman's Relief Corps; Mrs. Ellen S. Mussey, of Washington, Chairman of the Civil war had a delightful time while in Washington of the Woman's Relief Corps. He was accompanied by Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, Mrs. Rosamond B. Meacham, Mrs. Henrietta Rose, and Mrs. Ada G. Weiss, The Party was received with honors and escorted to the platform, where Mr. Warner delivered with which to entertain these war women at the Bancroft, without price to them, at the Bancroft was price at the president of t

done to advance their cannot done to advance, while from the tomac, and the tomac, while from the tomac, and the tomac, while from the tomac, while from the tomac, while from the tomac, while advocated fail it is likely that Congress will be appealed to to grant these appli-

cants pensions by special act.

The officers elected and installed are
Margaret Hamilton, of Wakefield, Mass., President; Susanna Krips, of Philadelphia, Senior Vice President; Elizabeth A. Tar-bel, of Aurora, Ill., Junior Vice President; Ann Seram, Chaplain, and Miss Kate

Fair Naval Veterans.

The National Association of Ladies' Naval Veterans, held a very successful Convention in Washington. Greetings were extended to them by many of the Washington. patriotic organizations meeting at the Na-tional Encampment, and many social func-tions were held in their honor. The following officers were elected: Captain Commanding, Mrs. S. E. Rey-

nolds, Eaton, Ohio; Commander, Mrs. Ada Shannon, Philadelphia, Pa.; Lieutenant Commander, Mrs. Cora B. Stone, Balti more, Md.: Senior Lieutenant, Mrs. Juditi Knight, Salem, Mass.; Lieutenant, Mrs M. J. Harris, Baltimore, Md.; Fleet Pay-master, Mrs. E. E. Traver, Providence, R. I.; Fleet Surgeon, Miss Annie R. Sears, Baltimore, Md.; Fleet Chaplain, Miss Lillie Cuddy, Detroit, Mich.; Secre-tary, Mrs. Jennie Laird, Providence, R. I.; Chief of Stoff Mrs. Margaget P. Disco Chief of Staff, Mrs. Margaret B. Dixon, Detroit, Mich.: National Boatswain, Mrs. Agnes Nealon. Philadelphia, Pa., and National Historian, Mrs. Henrietta Bowers, Philadelphia, Pa. The officers were in-stalled by Past Captain Commander Mrs. Jennie Laird. Mrs. Laird herself was installed by Past Captain Commander Mis

Sears.
The Association adjourned, to meet at the same time and place as the Naval Veterans next year.

The Veteran Signal Corps.

The Reunion of the United States Veteran Signal Corps Association was held Tuesday in Odd Fellows Hall. It was decided to ask Congress to make an appropriation for the erection of a monument on Little Round Top, Gettysburg, on the spot where the Signal Corps ren-dered signal service to the army in more senses than one. The erection of a mon ument at Chickamauga and on other bat tlefields was discussed. Gen. Greely, Chief Signal Officer, U. S. A., addressed the veterans on the Signal Corps, past and present. An address was also deliv-ered by Lieut. G. C. Round, the newly elected President of the Association.

riflemen recited many incidents of the war maintenance of the noble patriotism of 1861 to 1865. An interesting address evinced by her sons in the days that tried was delivered by George E. Albie, of Connecticut. The annual election of officers followed. Capt. R. M. Tyler, U. S. A., of Washington. was elected President, and Dr. A. R. Barrett, of Philadelphia, was re-elected Secretary and Treasurer.

Reunion of the 128th Pa.

evinced by her sons in the days that tried men's souls, far back in the 'Gos. Mr. Root said, in part, speaking in the name of the National Government:

"It is a feeble voice indeed with which I can express or try to express to you the welcome of the people of the Republic to the Grand Army upon your Reunion in the Capital City of the Nation.

aid he n his help the evening session Gen. Torrane, Hard with her, and the songs, moved to have the addresses and the Voman's Release from a very fired kind of voices that the Woman's Relief Corps would find him as loyal a "comrade" as they had found his bloyal a "comrade" as the companion had been regarded as a lower of strength to the Woman's Relief Corps where he had a wake to the companion had been regarded as a lower of the security of the strong corp.

Accompanying Gen. Torrance was Col. Public, who addressed the Convention in his bloy endigistic ferms. Eliz Lizabeth A. Turner. The elective omcers are as follows:
Prezident, Mrs. Lodusky J. Taylor,
Minnesota.
Vice President, Mrs. Geraldine Frisby,
California.
Junior Vice President, Mrs. Mary M.
North, Maryland.
North, Maryland.
Treasures Mrs. Sarah C. Phillips. New families

Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah C. Phillips, New York.

York.

Chaplain, Mrs. Jenuie L. Day, Maine.

The appointive officers named by Mrs. Taylor: National Secretary Mrs. Ada E. May, Minnesota: Counselor, Mrs. Mary L. Carr. Colorado: Patriotic Instructor, Mrs. Luc Stewart Wadsworth, Massachusetts; L. and I. Officer, Mrs. Emma E. Foster, Kansas.

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Then the 20th National Convention stood adourned and the Woman's Relief Corps will not meet again until called by the National President, Mrs. Lodusky Taylor, of Minnesota.

WAR WOMEN.

The National Association of Army Nurses of the Civil War in Convention.

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own reception at the Bancroft was one continuous ovation.

Among the subjects discussed at the Annual Convention was that of pensions. It was finally recommended that all Nurses who by reason of discrepancies in their service record were not receiving pensioner should call in a body on the Commissioner of Pensions and see if anything could be done to advance their claims. The Sectetary of the Association, Miss Scott, will accompany the Nurses on this visit. Under an act of Congress, passed in 1892, pensions were provided for Army Nurses whose records of six months' service could

Ridge, Atlanta and Savannah had thinned their ranks and taken many of their comrades out of the camp of life. The great and silent man, the most prominent hero of the civil war, Gen. Grant, looked upon the mightest host that had ever been brought together under the command of any General. Gen. Meade, the hero of Gettysburg and Appomattox; the dashing Custer, the cyclonic Sheridan, and a host of others marshaled the Army of the Potomac, while from the West came such men as Howard, Logan, Hazen, Blair and Slocum.

who have been unable to meet all the requirements of the Pension Bureau in the matter of this record, and should the step advocated fail it is likely that Congress great men who have framed our laws have great men who have trained out in a lived through careers of brilliance and effi-ciency—a city full of history into which has come within the past quarter of a century a new element from all sections of the Union which is daily working for

its development and improvement.
"The President and his advisers have placed more than two hundreds of mil-lions of property at your disposal. Our gates are open to you; enter our hearts and our homes. You can make more money elsewhere, but you cannot get more happiness and diversion in any other quarter you can find in this

Capital City, of which you are so justly proud."
Mr. Warner then read a letter from the President of the United States, regretting his inability to be present and join personally in the greeting. Letters of regret from Admiral Schley, Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, Gen. Wheeler, and Gen. Alger were also

read. Mr. Warner then introduced Commissioner Macfarland, who gave the official welcome in the name of the District. He said in part:

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"You are already at home in the Capital of the Nation. It is your home by the purchase of blood. The grateful Government of the District of Columbia would ment of the District of Columbia would gladly welcome you if that were needed, but you are not like other guests for this place, of all places, belongs to you. We cannot even offer you the freedom of the city of Washiagton, for you took that long ago, when you came hurrying from many States to the defense of Washington. You were invested then with citizenship in the National Capital, and it could no more betaken from you than the work which you did in defending it could be undone."

Mr. Macfarland closed by saying to the assembled veterans of the Grand Army that: "We may well pray to be strengthened against our greatest enemy—that ma-

ed against our greatest enemy—that ma terialism which our very success fosters and to be given power to meet its subtle attacks with the weapons of the spirit. If we forget the Lord our God and His commandments; if we turn away from the high purposes and the true principles of our forefathers, to the false gods of ma-terialism, we shall be blinded, we shall be shorn of our strength, we shall go the way that leadeth to death. But we believe we shall not do so. We believe we shall war a good warfare in peace, which is so much more difficult for most of us than to face a physical foe on the battlefield. We believe that with your example, and that of all our patriots in peace and in war, and by the grace of God, we shall live such lives as shall perpetually save the State

and preserve its noble genius."

Mr. Warner then introduced the Secre The Rennion of the survivors of the 1st tary of War, the Hon, Elihu Root, who and 2d regiments Berdan's Sharpshooters spoke to the same text as Mr. Macfarland Tuesday forenoon, Oct. 7, in in the conclusion of his remarks, pointing Hall. The gray and grizzled out to the country the vital need of the

GEN. "JAKE" SMITH.

Mrs. Mussey spoke briefly of the women's part in this Encampment, and Mrs. Goodhue sang a solo, accompanied by the Marine Band. Then Gen. Jacob H. Smith said, with evident feeling:

"Mr. Chairman, ladies, companions, comrades, fellow-countrymen: I cannot express to you the kindness that I have received in Washington, where I have not visited for many years. Let me say that I have received kindness from the representatives of the Government present tonight that fills me with pride and satisfaction and gives me honor, so that I have tion and gives me honor, so that I have felt better today than I have for many

rich measure, old friends, and the people's blessing with you always." (Great applanse.)

After Gen. Smith's speech which was ended much sooner than his audience wished, a number of minor addresses were made and Mr. Warner in a clever speech, replete with the good feeling of the citizens of Washington to the great G. A. R., presented Gen. Torrance with a gold hadge and humorously gave him the perpetual freedom of the city. Gen. Torrance responded in kind, and the assembly broke up after a humorous speech by Judge Ewart, of New York.

DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS.

Carrie Westbrook, Elmira, N. Y. National President - Excellent Corps Assistants. "The Flag Our Fathers Saved," is the

"The Flag Our Fathers Saved," is the motto of that organization of young women, the Daughters of Aveterans. The declared object of formation is to "perpetuate the memories of our fathers, their loyalty to the Union, their unselfish sacrifices for the perpetuity of the same, to keep green the memory and history of those who participated in this historic structure for the maintenance of our free structure for the maintenance of our free those who participated in this historic struggle for the maintenance of our free Government, to aid them and their widows and orphans, to inculcate the love of country and patriotism in our sex, and to promote equal rights and universal liberty, and to assist the Grand Army of the Republic to companyants the deads of

primote equal rights and universal liberty, and to assist the Grand Army of the Republic to commemorate the deeds of their fallen comrades on the 30th day of May by strewing flowers on their graves."

The Society was organized in 1885, and has had a steady, though not phenomenal growth. The organization now has over 3,600 members, and the splendid work that these young women do can scarcely be estimated.

The National Society of Daughters of Veterans held its 13th Annual Convention in Washington last week, and it proved to be the largest and most interesting of any held by the Order.

The National President, Mrs. Lida Tomer Miller, called the Convention to order at 12:30 Tuesday, Oct. 7, and after the singing of "America" and devotional exercises, the roll was called and the following officers answered to their names:

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Past President Mrs. Mary S. Warren,
President Mrs. Lida Tomen Miller, Vice
President Blanche T. Hemstreet, Treasurer Kate E. Hardcastle, Secretary Julia
A. Moynihan, Chaplain Rose G. White,
Inspector Jennie McBride, M. and I.
Officer Lina B. McDowell, Chief of Staff
Annie R. Carpenter, Press Correspondent
J. W. Morgan, Judge Advocate William
B. Moynihan, and Council M. H. Coe and
Estelle W. Harbour.

The National President then appointed
the following committees:

Credentials—Mrs. Julia A. Moynihan,
Mrs. Estelle Harbour, Mrs. Libbie Mies,
Miss Mamie E. Herbst, and Mrs. Celia
A. Rostron.

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Resolutions—Mrs. Mary F. Warren,
Miss Rose G. White, Mrs. Alma A. Cate,
Miss Jennie McBride and Miss Minnie A.

Sikes.
Officers' Reports—Miss Kate G. Raynor, Mrs. Fannie R. Green, Mrs. Etta
Cook, Mrs. Rose White, and Mrs. Clara Hampton. Hampton.
G. A. R.—Mrs. J. W. Morgan, Miss B.
K. Herbst, Miss May Ayer, Mrs. Dora
Rogers, and Mrs. S. B. McGee.
Ritnal—Mrs. E. R. Davis, Mrs. M. H.
Coe, Mrs. Blanche S. Hemstreet, Mrs. E.
G. Colvin, Mrs. Nellie Suess, and Miss
May Durber.

Press—Mrs. L. B. McDowell, Mrs. Addie M. Brockway, Miss Emma E. Sayles, Miss Grace Johnson, and Mrs. Sarah Mill-The reports of the officers followed and

everything pointed to a healthy condition of the Order and brilliant prospects for he future. Adjournment was taken over the future. Adjournment was taken over Wednesday on account of the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Thursday morning was occupied with a discussion of Barton Hall and how it should be controlled and run. Barton Hall is one of the fine pieces of work that the Daughters of Veterans have undertaken. It is a school for side which he taken. It is a school for girls, which has been established at Mason City, Iowa, in connection with Memorial University, that splendid educational monument to Union Veteran, erected by the Sons.

ton Hall is named in honor of Miss Clara Barton, who is the patron saint of the Daughters as well as the Sons. The purpose of the institution is to give an edu-cation to needy girls at a very slight expense to the members of the organization.

The following committee was chosen to control Barton Hall: One-year term, Julia Phillips; two-year term, Anna Clark and Lillie Phillips; three-year term, Eliz-abeth Heardsley Stanley and Elizabeth

the Sons of Veteraus, the Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps, La-dies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Army Nurses, and other organizations, Many hospitalities were extended to the Daughters of Veterans and the National Society held a very large reception in their pretty convention hall Thursday evening. Those who assisted the National President. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, in receiving, were: Miss Clara Barton, Mrs. Ella Spencer Mussey, Chairman of the Citizens' Com-mittee; Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Ford, and Miss mittee: Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Ford, and Miss Weiss, of the Committee: Mrs. Carrie Westbrook, Senior Vice President: Mrs. Jennie McMurphy, Junior Vice President: Miss Minnie Prescott, Secretary; Mrs. Ida J. Allen, Treasurer: Mrs. Maude Amadon, Inspector; and Miss Lillian Phillips, Mrs. Julia Phillips, Miss Elizabeth Kimball, Miss Anna Clark, Miss Ella Adair, members of the Council, and Miss Florence Groft, Guide.

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A delicious lunch was served each day of the Convention of the Daughters by the Ladies of the Veteran Legion.

The officers were elected late Thursday afternoon and installed that evening. Those installed were: Carrie Westbrook, Elmira, N. Y., Presideut: Ida Warren, Worcester, Mass., Senior Vice President: Bertha Martin, Massillon, Ohio, Junior Vice President: Minnie Piner, Manchester, N. H., Chaplain: Myrtle Kramer, Chicago, Ill., Treasurer; Julia Croft Phillips, Inspector: Rose Kirsh, Buffalo, N. Y., I. and I. Officer: Council, Elizabeth Stanley, Washington, D. C.; Ida Allen, Newtonville, Mass.; Elizabeth Kimball, Fitebburg, Mass.; Jennie McMurphy, Concord, N. H., and Lillian Phillips, Chleago, Ill.